AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title as follows:

STEP-IN FORWARD LEAN SYSTEM FOR A SNOWBOARD BINDING AND BOOT THEREFOR

Please add the following new paragraph immediately after the heading Summary of the Invention on page 3, line 31:

In accordance with the invention, a boot having a forward lean system is provided that includes medial and lateral side cable members on the boot wherein the cable members are attached to a forward portion of the boot at only one general position. The forward lean system also includes a tension adjustment member connected to the cable members for altering the length of the cable members, thereby providing adjustable forward lean.

Please delete the previous version of the Abstract of the Disclosure. A substitute abstract is appended hereto as a separate page.